

NARROW ESCAPE OF BUTTE MINERS

Twenty-one Rendered Unconscious in Bell Mine.

LIVES OF ALL WERE SAVED

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BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 7.—What came very near being the largest mining disaster in the history of the Butte camp occurred today. Fortunately no lives were lost but twenty-one unconscious and half-suffocated miners were hauled to the surface by ropes from the Bell mine and laid out in rows while nearly all the doctors in the city worked over them and by means of artificial respiration and strong stimulants finally succeeded in reviving all the victims.

A month ago fire broke out in the Bell shaft, one of the Anaconda Company's properties, and so far all attempts to extinguish it have proved unavailing. A force of men was put to work today in an airshaft 200 feet deep with the intention of drifting to head off the fire in the main shaft.

The men failed to come to the surface and two other gangs were sent down. They also failed to return and a third gang was sent below. With great difficulty all were taken to the surface.

MANLEY DECLINES.

Prefers to Be Speaker of the Maine House Rather Than Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Joseph Manley, of Augusta, Me., the Republican national committeeman, will not accept the office of commissioner of internal revenue to succeed the late Commissioner Wilson, even if the place is offered to him. Mr. Manley reached here last night and today he will go to Washington to see the president.

"The place has not been offered me," said Mr. Manley in answer to questions, "and could not take it if it were. I am a member of the Maine legislature and I am to be speaker of the lower house. I told my friends last summer that I would be a candidate for the speakership and I am going to stand by that promise. There is no opposition to me. The state constitution of Maine prohibits any one from holding a state and federal office at the same time."

DUKE AND DUCHESS TRAVEL.

Will Take Their Automobile Along With Them.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—The Duke and Duchess of Manchester, accompanied by Miss Martha Evans, Mr. Zimmerman and Melville Ellis, left the Erie depot last night in their private car, which was attached to No. 13, Chicago Express.

Private car No. 7, belonging to the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton railroad, was all in readiness. The drawing room was filled with flowers as a compliment to the duchess. A crowd of sightseers collected on the platform.

In an interview just previous to his departure, the duke said:

"I expect to remain in Cincinnati till after the New Year and then we shall go west."

"On our tour west I hope to be able to arrange for a flat truck to travel behind my car so that the locomotive can be used in any place where we may break the journey."

COAL FROM CHINA.

American Engineer Says It Will Be Sold in San Francisco for \$7 Per Ton.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—Robert C. Hoover, chief engineer of the department of mines of the Chinese government for the two years preceding the Boxer outbreak, is in this city. Speaking of the commercial importance of China he said:

"In the near future the chief factor in the Chinese trade of the Pacific coast will be coal. There is more coal in the three northern provinces of Chi Li, Shan Tung and Shen King than in any other region in the world. This coal is anthracite, of excellent quality, and whenever fairly good railway communications are established it can be sold in San Francisco at \$7 per ton."

CURES YELLOW FEVER.

Young Specialist Who Discovered the Serum Is Now in New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Dr. Angle Bellinaghi, a young specialist whose success in the treatment of sufferers from yellow fever recently attracted much attention in Mexico, is in the city on his way to Brazil.

Dr. Bellinaghi has been offered the \$100,000 prize set aside by the Mexican government for the discovery of a serum that would cure yellow fever, but he says that he is unwilling to accept the prize on the terms proposed by the Mexican government, although he is ready to give all sufferers from the dreaded disease the benefit of his cure.

Although Dr. Bellinaghi spent only

two months in Mexico treated about 50 cases of yellow fever and effected cures in 33 per cent of the cases. He said that he would remain in New York about a week and that he would return to the United States from Brazil early next year. He is accompanied here by P. L. Summerlin, of San Antonio, Tex., near which city he expects soon to establish a laboratory for the manufacture of the serum which has attracted the favorable attention of the Mexican authorities.

"It is my desire," Dr. Bellinaghi said in an interview, "to place my discovery at the disposition of the United States, as I believe it will be of great value to the sufferers from yellow fever in the states along the gulf coast. My experience in the republic of Mexico, both in the treatment of yellow fever and in immunizing persons liable to have it, have been most satisfactory and convincing."

Dr. Bellinaghi takes special pride in the case of Davis Kilpatrick, an American who had contracted yellow fever and whose case had been brought to his attention in Vera Cruz. Kilpatrick's case was regarded as hopeless. Four applications were made and Kilpatrick recovered.

This strengthened the confidence of the local authorities in Dr. Bellinaghi's discovery and the Mexican government expressed its desire to obtain from him his interest in the new remedy. The offer was not accepted as Dr. Bellinaghi did not desire to place the entire control of his discovery in the hands of the government.

It is the plan of Dr. Bellinaghi and those associated with him to establish hospitals for the cure of yellow fever in Vera Cruz, Havana, Panama, Venezuela and in other places. These hospitals will be supplied with the newly discovered serum from the establishment in Texas.

MUST NOT SAIL ON SUNDAY.

Hereafter Transports Will Not Be Permitted to Leave San Francisco on That Day.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—Orders have come from Washington forbidding the sailing of transports from San Francisco on Sunday hereafter. In accordance with this rule the Logan, which will carry troops, will sail on December 15 instead of the 16th. The Thomas, with stores and passengers, will be despatched on the 17th. The Hancock, due to arrive soon, will sail on January 1.

MCCOY TO BE MARRIED.

Will Wed Marguerite Cornelle, Corbett's Former Sweetheart.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—A dispatch to the Journal and Advertiser from London says:

"Kid" McCoy will marry Marguerite Cornelle, Corbett's former sweetheart, on Christmas day. She is singing French songs at the Tivoli music hall in London with much success.

Mr. McCoy is living at the Hotel Cecil and arranging a match with Ryan, the Australian, before the National Sporting Club. After that McCoy goes to the music hall under the management of George Lederer in starring exhibitions.

PRIZEFIGHTS LICENSED.

DENVER, Dec. 7.—The board of aldermen has passed a bill licensing prizefights to the extent of \$250 for each performance.

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ENGLAND IS INTERESTED.

Disposed to Insist Upon the Signing of the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says:

The fate of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty is awaited here with more interest than anxiety. Its rejection or even an amendment in a spirit hostile to the Suez regulations will be regarded as a sign that the American senate is bent upon ending rather than mending the Clayton-Bulwer convention and upon doing this, moreover, in an offensive way.

The British government did not take the initiative in opening negotiations for a revision of the convention of 1850. It merely responded in a most friendly spirit to a suggestion from the state department that the time had come for adapting an antiquated treaty to altered conditions in a spirit of mutual accommodation and good will. It conceded everything that was asked and merely stipulated that the Suez principles should be applied to any canal under American control.

The rejection of the convention will be considered as an indication that the American government does not know its own mind and that it does not value the concessions made in response to its own solicitations. The adoption of a fortification amendment will be the signal for a strong press agitation here against a departure from the Suez practice and the foreign office will have the public support if it declines to accept the treaty in a new form.

It is understood in diplomatic circles here that Lord Salisbury at the outset of the negotiations expressed a willingness to settle the canal question if he could receive an assurance that the treaty would have the support of the senate and that the various senators of the foreign relations committee were consulted in advance whether they had committed themselves or not to the treaty.

It is considered singular by diplomats here that the question of fortifying the ends of the canal should be raised. No European power which is without coaling stations and a naval base close at hand can ever menace American control of the canal and England is the only one which is adequately supplied in the West Indies with these indispensable accessories for naval warfare. If Americans insist upon fortifying the canal it must be because they have their eyes on Port Royal and Santa Lucia and dread British interference with the waterway.

Although Lord Salisbury has renounced in the new treaty the principle of dual agreement, England having agreed in good faith would prefer that the Americans accept the treaty in its original form.

TUG WILL GO TO MANILA.

First Time So Small a Steam Vessel Has Made Such a Trip.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Naval officers are looking forward to the voyage to Manila that has been ordered by the navy department for the little tug Wompatuck, which has been doing service at the Brooklyn navy yard for some time.

The order came as a surprise to the officers in the yard. If she completes the long trip it will be the first time on record that so small a tug has been able to do so. As to the general purpose or specific reasons for sending the Wompatuck to Manila, naval officers in the yard confess complete ignorance.

It is generally believed that the tug will leave the yard this week but inquiry revealed the fact that she is not expected to go until Sunday. Lieutenant-Commander F. H. Sherman is nominally in charge, but when the tug sails she will also have on board Lieutenant E. R. Brainerd.

The Wompatuck will go first to Norfolk, then to Bermuda. She will then follow out an itinerary which will take her to Madeira, thence to Gibraltar and other Mediterranean ports, to the Suez canal and Dead sea, across the Indian ocean, touching at Bombay, Calcutta and Sumatra.

PHILIPPINE EXPERIMENT FARM.

Growth of Seeds and Plants From This Country Will Be Tested.

BERKELEY, Cal., Dec. 7.—Under the patronage of the United States Philippine commission an experiment farm will be started some 200 miles from Manila where the growth of all sorts of seeds and plants from this country will be tested.

Prof. Bernard Moses, of the commission, has written to the University of California regarding the proposed work and at his suggestion the state institution will send from its experiment stations the required seeds and plants.

The work of the experiment farm will be conducted by Phelps Whitmarsh.

ANNOUNCEMENT PREMATURE.

New Director for Lick Observatory Has Not Yet Been Chosen.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—President Wheeler of the University of California states that the announcement that Prof. W. W. Campbell had been chosen to succeed the late Prof. James E. Keeler as director of the Lick observatory was premature. He declares that no definite action has yet been taken.

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